

MINUTES BOARD OF EQUAL RIGHTS COMMISSIONERS August 17, 2016 at 2:30 P.M. in City Hall, Rm. 303

Present:

Marquette Baylor
Mayhoua Moua
Jeffery Roman, Chair
Dana Kraemer, Dept. of Administration
Steven Mahan, Community Development Grants Admin.
Sharon Robinson, Dept. of Administration

Guests/Members of the public present:

Clifton Crump, Fire & Police Commission
Reggie Moore, Office of Violence Prevention
David Muhammad, Milwaukee Health Dept.
Ben Roovers, City Attorney's Office
Patricia Ruiz-Cantu, Dept. of Administration
Tony Snell, PrideFest
Mike Williams, CEAC Director
20+ members of the public (sign-in sheet was passed around)

The meeting was called to order at 2:39 p.m. by Commissioner Roman. It was announced that a quorum of ERC Commissioners was not present therefore any formal action items on the agenda will be moved to the September meeting. Instead, Commissioner Roman suggested that this session be used to have an informal discussion with the community members present.

Commissioner Roman described the role of the ERC.

Sharon Robinson stated that her oversight of the ERC is new and that she is excited about the infrastructure that is in place to help them achieve their goals.

Steven Mahan welcomed the members of the community who were in attendance and stated that they were looking for some great commissioners to fill the two vacancies.

Absent:

Aldira Aldape Chez Ordonez, Co-Chair Mike Williams introduced himself and gave a brief overview of his background and role as the new director of the Community Engagement & Achievement Collaborative (CEAC).

Clifton Crump introduced himself and gave a brief overview of his background and role as the operations manager for the Fire & Police Commission.

Reggie Moore introduced himself and gave a brief overview of his goals for the Office of Violence Prevention.

David Muhammad introduced himself and gave a brief overview of his role as the youth violence prevention manager with the City of Milwaukee Health Department.

Sharon Robinson thanked the community members for attending and stated that grassroots organizations are very impactful and that government can't achieve things alone.

Ben Roovers introduced himself as the city attorney that has been assigned to assist the ERC and stated that he feels privileged to be working in this capacity.

Patricia Ruiz-Cantu introduced herself as the community outreach coordinator for the Department of Administration and gave an overview of the projects she is working on. She had business cards to hand out to anyone interested.

Myra Edwards introduced herself and gave an overview of her areas of responsibility in Mayor Barrett's office.

Several members of the public made comments and asked questions.

Commissioner Baylor stated that the ERC has been in transition since November. She expressed her gratitude to all the guests present.

Commissioner Roman stated that the next ERC meeting is September 21, 2016.

Commissioner Roman adjourned the meeting at 4:05 p.m.

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